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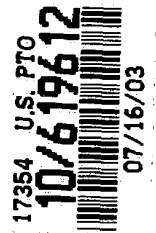


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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Mail Stop Patent Application**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: APPLICATOR NOZZLE AND APPLICATOR ASSEMBLY  
INCORPORATING SUCH A NOZZLE

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 43 pages, including title page and abstract, and including 7 independent claims and 110 claims total.
2. Drawings - 5 sheets of formal drawings containing Fig. 1, Fig. 2, Fig. 3, Figs. 4-5, and Figs. 6A-6B.
3. Information Data Sheet (2 pgs.).
4. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (3 pgs.)/Form PTO 1449 (2 pgs.)/French Search Reports (4 pgs.)/Documents (38).

5. Claim for Priority/Certified copy of French Patent Application No. 02 09034, filed July 17, 2002, and certified copy of French Patent Application No. 02 09035, filed July 17, 2002.
6. Submission of English Language Translations of Provisional Applications/  
English language translation of Provisional Application 60/398,565 and  
English language translation of Provisional Application 60/398,570.
7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

<b>Basic Application Filing Fee</b>						<b>\$ 750.00</b>
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims	Rate	
Total Claims	110	-	20	90	X \$ 18	\$ 1,620.00
Independent Claims	7	-	3	4	X \$ 84	\$ 336.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s)					+ \$ 280	= 0.00
					<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 2,706.00</b>
					Reduction by ½ if Small Entity	- 0.00
					<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE</b>	<b>\$ 2,706.00</b>

8. A check for \$ 2,706.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$ 750.00 filing fee; and  
\$ 1,956.00 additional claims fee.

Applicants also claim the right to priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/398,565, filed July 26, 2002, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60,398,570, filed July 26, 2002, in the United States.

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and (f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the executed Declaration.

**Please accord this application an application number and a filing date.**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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**SUBMISSION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRANSLATIONS OF  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby submit an English language translation of Provisional  
Application No. 60/398,565, filed July 26, 2002, and of Provisional Application No.  
60/398,570, filed July 26, 2002, in advance of any requirement from the Patent Office. It  
is requested that this translation be placed in the provisional application file wrapper.

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